

**CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC)**

**MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2002 AT 5 P.M.  
STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER  
111 NW FIRST STREET  
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128  
18TH FLOOR -- ROOM 4 (18-4)**

**I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**II. MINUTES:**

-May 1, 2002

**III. WELCOME NEW CTAC MEMBERS**

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MIN EACH)**

**V. SPECIAL ITEMS (5 MIN)**

A. DISCUSSION ON THE CREATION OF "MASS TRANSIT DAY" FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS (MIKE HATCHER)

B. DISCUSSION ON THE ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CITIZENS INDEPENDENT TRUST (CIT)

**VI. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. SURFACE ISSUES, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS (05/15/02)

B. REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON SPECIAL TRANSIT WORKSHOP ON TRANSPORTATION FUNDING (05/15/02)

C. KROME AVENUE TOUR REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS (05/16/02)

**VII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

A. ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL - MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

**VIII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE (15 MIN)**

**IX. CTAC SECRETARIAT'S REPORT (5 MIN)**

A. ORAL REPORT

**X. COMMITTEE REPORTS: (2 MIN - EACH)**

A. TIP Development Committee: Mike Hatcher

B. Transportation Planning Council: Mike Hatcher

C. Unified Planning Work Program: Jason Lichstein

D. Transportation Disadvantaged LCB: Mac Glasgow  
E. Bay Link Study: Randall Robinson

**XI. OTHER ITEMS - PENDING BUSINESS** (2 MIN - EACH)

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

**XIII. NEXT MEETING DATE(S)**

A. Combined Subcommittee 06/12/02  
B. Full CTAC Meeting: 06/26/02  
C. MPO Governing Board 06/20/02  
D. TPTAC 06/05/02  
E. Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Comm.: No Meeting in June  
F. Transportation Planning Council: 06/10/02

**For additional information (meeting time and place) and staff persons responsible for coordinating the above committees, please contact Clinton Forbes (305) 375-4507**

**VX. NEWS ARTICLES**

**XV. ADJOURNMENT -- 6:30 PM**

**\*\*\*FREE PARKING AVAILABLE\*\*\***

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(LOCATED ON WEST-SIDE OF CULTURAL  
ARTS CENTER)**

**\*\*\*PLEASE BRING YOUR PARKING TICKET -- VALIDATION REQUIRED\*\*\***

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**NOTES OF ACTION FROM  
CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC)  
MEETING OF MAY 29, 2002**

**CTAC ENDORSES HALF-PENNY SALES TAX FOR TRANSPORTATION:**

After have conducted a Transit Funding Survey, participated in various transportation meetings and summits and after hosting a special transportation funding workshop, CTAC resolved that there are too many confusing elements and legislative approvals required in order for the "user fee" option (ex: use of a combination of parking fees, gas taxes, tolls, etc) to be viable as a dedicated source of funding for transportation. Thus, the CTAC passed a resolution recommending that the Board of County Commissioners place on the Ballot for the general election scheduled for November 5, 2002 – **a referendum supporting a half-penny sales tax to be used exclusively for a dedicated source of funding for transportation.** (Hatcher/Swerdlin)

**CTAC ENDORSES CITIZENS INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) TO OVERSEE NEW TRANSPORTATION DOLLARS WITH RESERVATIONS:**

CTAC reviewed the proposed Ordinance that was passed on first reading related to the establishment of said Trust. Mr. Forbes updated members on the amendments that were recommended at the Transportation Infrastructure and Environment Committee (TIE) of May 28, 2002. CTAC recommended the establishment of the CIIT, however, strongly proposed that the Board of County Commissioners amend the ordinance in the following manner:

1. **Section 1(b) 1-16 – Nominating Committee** – CTAC recognized that in the current set-up there is an overwhelming representation by businesses and Chambers of Commerce and that the section needed to be modified to provide a substantially greater representation by citizens at large, consistent with what was concluded at the Transportation Summit held on April 27, 2002; for example; grass-root citizen organizations, transportation professionals , public transportation operators, citizens representing civic and community-based organizations, and educational professionals and/or institutions.
2. **Section 1(b) "submission of slate of four (4) candidates..":** CTAC expressed that the clause which provides for the Board and the Mayor to request additional nominations should be modified to include language that states; "any additional requests from the Board for the submission of additional names must first be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Nominating Committee before being submitted"

3. **Section 1(b) Nominating Committee - Initial members:** CTAC requested that the Nominating Committee be comprised of sixteen (16) members (capped) and does not support the language which states "at least sixteen (16) members"
4. **Section 1(b) (16) Nominating Committee:** -- CTAC requested clarification on the entity that nominates the "citizen at large" position.
5. **Section 1(c) – Term of initial members:** CTAC requested clarification on the term of the Mayor's appointments, which are not stated.
6. **Section 1(f)(2)b&c -- Powers and duties** – CTAC requested an explanation and clarification on the referenced subsections with an emphasis on the MPO's involvement and the 5% limitation on surtax proceed expenditures.
7. **Section 1(f)(4) – Monthly Reports:** CTAC requested that monthly reports and expenditures be made available on-line.
8. **Section 1(f)(1) – Powers and Duties:** CTAC requested that the following language be added to the end of the clause that begins "To monitor, oversee, review, audit..." *Any funds generated directly or indirectly from the surtax.*

(Miles/Swerdlin)

## **MASS TRANSIT DAY FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Mike Hatcher proposed that the CTAC recommend that the MPO Governing Board adopt and participate in a "Mass Transit Day" for their Board and the Mayor to use public transportation to get to work and conduct their daily business. This motion was approved unanimously. The proposed date is July 25, 2002 where there are scheduled Zoning and MPO Governing Board meetings. If approved, the members also recommended that the Miami-Dade Communications Department and the MPO use their resources to coordinate this day and market the event to the media. Mr. Hatcher recommended that officials record their experiences and report back. (Hatcher/Hernandez)

## **KROME AVENUE BUS TOUR REPORT:**

CTAC Members reported on the successful bus tour of Krome Avenue that took place on May 16, 2002. Members noted that during this on-site visit that there was many traffic violations that were taken place, such as illegal passing. Thus, the committee passed a resolution reaffirming CTAC Resolution 05-02 which supports a modified Krome Avenue Action Plan that provides for strategically placed 4-lane sections for passing and to increase police enforcement for speeding and other traffic violations and for disabled vehicles.

(Miles/Ramos)

**RED LIGHT CAMERA ENFORCEMENT:**

Phyllis Levy, Citizen, was present to further discuss the Red Light Camera technology with CTAC. After some discussion, CTAC passed a resolution recommending that the MPO Governing Board request that the Miami-Dade Delegation request the Florida Legislature to allow a one year pilot program to provide cameras to identify vehicles running red traffic signals; and that a contractor provide cameras at twelve locations geographically balanced in Miami-Dade County; and to select twenty locations where boxes will be mounted and cameras rotated from location to location; and requesting that the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) fund a before and after study with emphasis on how the technology had minimized accidents during the pilot period. This resolution passed unanimously.

(Miles/Cutler)

For more detailed information regarding the above items, or other related items from this CTAC Meeting, please contact:

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